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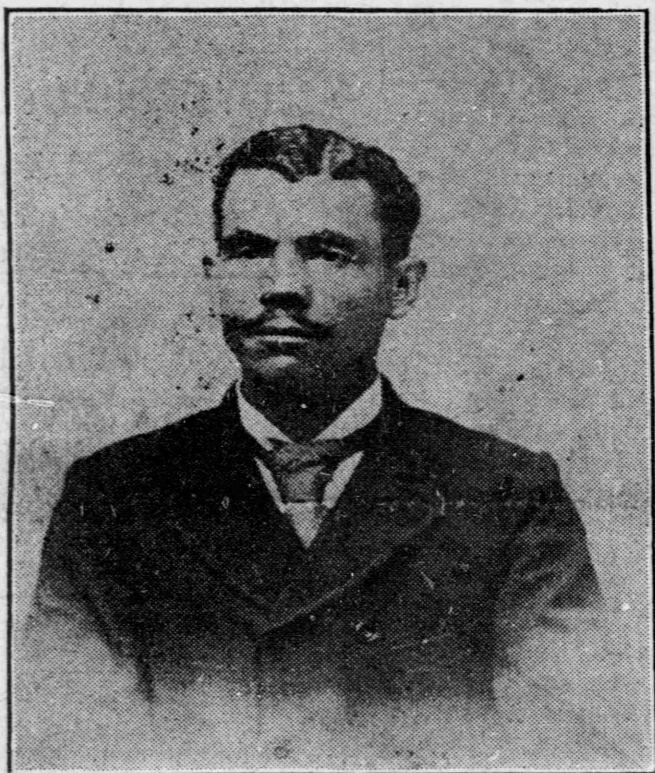
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## THE NEGRO IN BUSINESS.

Echoes From the National Negro Business League at Nashville.

A Charleston Delegate Makes a Fine Showing—The Colored People of South Carolina—The Boot and Shoe Business Ably Discussed by Mr. J. Perry Seabrook—Lessons of Success in Embarking in Any Kind of Business—What Charlestonians Are Doing in a Commercial Way.

The Charleston Exhibit was exceptionally large, embracing over thirty photographs. Mr. Arthur L. Macbeth, the local Negro photographer, had charge of that work and made a very creditable showing.

On Friday, Mr. J. Perry Seabrook, the president and delegate of the local League, addressed the convention on "The Boot and Shoe Business." Mr. Seabrook's address was unusually interesting, touching upon a business of which he represents, the only one conducted by a member of the League.

Mr. Seabrook, in his usual eloquent and expresive manner, held the close

attention of his audience. Among other things, he said:

"Mr. Chairman, Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen of this Convention:

"It has been my personal desire for the past two years to become a part of this great move inaugurated for the purpose of inspiring and bettering the commercial side of the Negro life. Today I not only stand before you in realization of my gain, but as a representative of the commercial element of the city of Charleston, the State of South Carolina. Perhaps it is fitting for me to say here by way of explanation that the people of Charleston are very conservative.

"This accounts, I think, for the slow way we have grasped the doings and the anticipated result of the National Negro Busoness League. We believe in the old adage, 'Be sure you are right and then go ahead.'

"For more than forty years the Negroes have been taught, by the most efficient expounders of the Gospel of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, was presented a large bouquet of beau-

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## JUDGE TERRELL'S SPEECH.

He Charms Memphis by the Witchery of His Eloquence.

Emancipation Day Befittingly Celebrated—COL AM—THREE ET  
dd—The Industrial League a Motor Power in Building Up the Race—Mrs. Terrell Speaks Under the Auspices of the Women's Club—Paragraphs Pungent and Personal.

MEMPHIS, TENN., Special.—Under the auspices of the Industrial League, the Emancipation celebration was on a higher order this year than ever before. Several months ago a committee of the Industrial League assembled for the purpose of making arrangements for the exercises. After long and heated discussions as to whether it should be September 22 or January 1, the former date was selected. The next important matter was the orator of the day. Judge Robert H. Terrell, of Washington, D. C., was unanimously elected. The committee also arranged for woman's day and invited Mrs. Terrell to speak to the women, which she did in a manner never before witnessed

in Memphis. Mrs. Terrell did not use manuscript. For two hours she held the attention of her audience without the least hesitation for words well put. While Mrs. Terrell could not accept all invitations tendered to address different clubs over the city, she accepted a great many. Houses never appeared too humble for this noble and kind-hearted woman to enter and say something for the elevation of her people. Mrs. Terrell is as graceful on the rostrum as she is eloquent; she is an optimist, and it is safe to say those who heard her left seeing a brighter future than ever before. To say that Mrs. Terrell's address was grand and that her peroration almost raised the audience from its feet would be describing it in a very mild degree. Mrs. Terrell's advice to the women of Memphis to close themselves in seclusion, get books, read, study and learn something, was as timely as it was useful. The women's exercises commenced at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Terrell was formally introduced by Mrs. G. P. Hamilton, wife of Prof. Hamilton, principal of Kortricht High School. Mrs. Terrell

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